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### TORONTO TIDINGS

Mrs. Walter Bell, of Oshawa, spent the week-end of March 2d, with her sister, Mrs. Bond.

The father of Mrs. George Elliott, who has been in St. Joseph's Hospital for several weeks, has now been transferred to the Home for Incurables, on Dunn Avenue, where our friend, Mr. Angus A. McIntosh is a patient.

Mr. Howard J. Lloyd, of Brantford, smilingly bobbed up in our midst on March 2d, having motored out on a business errand and to see his relatives. Still another surprise party has come and passed along. Oh, what a grand time had they who were there! Fun and laughter prevailed through the evening, especially when the "battery" worked its tricks. It all happened when Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goodall put over a surprise party on Mrs. Alex. B. McCaul in honor of her natal day, but owing to a slight indisposition, Mrs. Goodall was unable to be present. A hearty lunch was served towards midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Alexander, the latter of whom was formerly Miss Jane Wedderburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wedderburn, of this city, are now located in Chicago, where Mr. Alexander has a good position. We wish for them every success in the "Windy City."

Mr. W. R. Watt was in charge of the Epworth League, on March 6th, and gave a fine address on the refuge we have in God today, tomorrow and forever. There was a good turnout.

Mrs. Alex. Buchan, Sr., was wearing happy smiles on March 6th, for she had first received word that her eldest grandchild, Miss Dorothy Crough, eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Crough, of Walkerville, had just been brought home from the hospital, where she had been for six weeks with scarlet fever. She is now up and weeks with scarlet fever. She is now doing very well.

In your issue of February 28th, it was stated that the parties given by Miss Annabel Thomson and the Misses Egginton were in honor of the natal day of Miss Gladys Blais, but they were also given in honor of Miss Alma Brown's birthday as well, and as the latter's name was unintentionally omitted, we now mention it in justice to this modest and ever popular young maiden.

The dispute between the Rapid Grip Engraving Co. and its former employers has now been amicably settled and our friend, William Hazlitt, is back on the job again.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mason with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ambros J. Veale, left by motor, on March 1st, to spend a month amid the salubrious clime of Sunny Florida. We wish them a glorious and profitable trip.

Mrs. Robert King, of Frankford, who came up to this city, at the time of her father's death several weeks ago, and who has been with her mother, Mrs. Chestnut, ever since, became the proud mother of a baby girl on March 7th. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. King on the advent of their first offspring. Both mother and babe are doing well.

Miss Florence Bagby returned to her duties here on March 2d, after her fortnight's visit to her old home in Burk's Falls. Glad to say her mother is much improved.

Mrs. W. W. Scott, who went out to Wellandport to see her parents for a couple of weeks, returned to her home here on March 8th, and now the clouds that made Billy so blue have shifted by.

The largest crowd that has yet turned out to the Bridgen Literary Society since that memorable visit of Mr. John Berry, of Royal Oak, Mich., last Thanksgiving Day, foregathered in the Bridgen-Nasmith Hall, on March 8th, where they were most pleasantly entertained to a magic lantern show by Mr. William Bridgen, brother of the late F. Bridgen. The views were of scenes in England, and of various domestic flowers in all their beauty and stages of growth. Afterwards Mr. J. R. Byrne gave a very dramatic story of how a couple in low means

yearned for a car and luxury, but changed their attitude to self-sacrifice at the sight of poverty in another home.

### WATERLOO WEE BITS

Mr. Lewis Patterson, of Milton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moynihan over the week-end of March 2d.

Mrs. John A. Moynihan had a few friends in for tea on March 3d, in honor of her natal day, though she first saw the light of day on March 4th. She was the recipient of many very lovely gifts from far and near, including a lovely georgette scarf from Miss Viola Johnston, a beautiful ivory double jewelry case from Lewis Patterson, and a lovely ring, set with rubies and pearls, from her sister.

A get-together bunch of young sports, consisting of the Misses Viola Johnston and Beverly Moynihan and Messrs. Otto Carl Rodumske and Lewis Patterson, attended a theatre party in Kitchener, on March 2d.

Mrs. John A. Moynihan was recently appraised of the sad news of the death of Mrs. J. C. Carruthers, sister of our friend, Miss Grace Watts, of Thedford, who came to the end of her earthly journey on February 20th, in the fifty-eighth year of her age. The deceased and her husband lived on a beautiful celery farm adjacent to Thedford.

The funeral took place on February 23d, and was largely attended. To Miss Watt we extend our condolence. She was a very clever cook and housekeeper, and graduated from the Belleville school several years ago.

Years ago there were twice as many of the deaf living in these twin cities and vicinity as there are today. How fast time flies! New Hamburg, just twelve miles west of here, claimed the Nahrgang brothers, Oliver and Isaiah, and their families, the Koehlers, the McKenzies, and others, while many have left here for regions afar, either through obtaining better positions, or marriage or death, yet there are plenty of openings here for the deaf in different kinds of factories, especially tire and woodwork plants. Also beautiful homes for married couples to live in. Bear in mind that Kitchener and Waterloo are growing very fast in hearing population.

### LONG BRANCH LOCALS

Mr. Charles McLaren regrets he was not informed of his sister's death in Osgoode recently in time, or he would have went down to her funeral. However, he expects to go down for a good visit this summer, if all goes well.

Miss Mary Gagnon, of Peterboro, was the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gagnon, over the week-end of March 2d. Though possessed of all her faculties, she is well versed in our mode of communication and is a charming conversationalist.

We are glad to say that Mr. John S. Bartley, who had been suffering from an abscess around the mouth, has now fully recovered and back to work as usual.

Mr. George J. Thompson, who has been faithfully serving on a milk route as driver for many years, has now been promoted to a more lucrative position by the firm, and works within the plant—merely a reward for diligent service.

One of the finest and most up-to-date private homes among the deaf is the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gagnon, so snugly nestled in a beautiful grove with a full view of the front road. Since putting in a cement block foundation and a furnace, this home has been finished in all the latest style with every convenience, including hardwood flooring and spacious rooms. A most ideal spot to live in. Mr. Gagnon has been steadily employed by the Goodyear Tire Co. for the past eleven years and is well liked by the company. Mrs. Gagnon was formerly Miss Florence Whitworth, of Toronto. Seeing a copy of the JOURNAL, they promptly handled in their subscription.

Messrs. J. R. Byrne and H. W. Roberts were Toronto visitors among their deaf friends at this branch on March 3d.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott went to Toronto, on March 3d, to visit the latter's father at the Home for Incurables and then to the service of the deaf there. Mrs. John S. Bartley went along with them too.

### BORDER BREEZES

On March 1st, Mr. and Mrs. William Riberdy and Mrs. G. Matney, of Detroit, motored out to River Rouge to see the great Ford plant out there. As this was Mrs. Matney's first visit out that way, she was much impressed with all she saw.

Messrs. Ernest Ball and Fred Riberdy, of Detroit, motored out to St. Thomas, Ont., via Port Huron, on March 3d, to visit the former's grandmother, and had a lovely trip.

Mrs. George McDonald and Mrs. George Joly, of Windsor, were out in Detroit lately, visiting with Mrs. O. Buby.

Mr. and Mrs. William Riberdy motored out to Port Huron lately, on a pleasure jaunt and wanted to cross over to Sarnia to see Mr. and Mrs. Jontie Henderson, but had not their passports with them, so gave up the ghost and returned home.

Among the many employees of the Ford plant in Detroit, who are being transferred to the firm's plant in River Rouge, is Mr. Edward Ball, but friend Eddie is not much enamored over the change.

Mrs. John A. Braithwaite, of Walkerville, was the guest of Mrs. Cas. Sadows in Detroit, on February 26th, and reports all well in her native haunts.

Mrs. Cas. Sadows held a most delightful "five hundred" party at her cosy home on February 23d, and everything was red in color in honor of George Washington's birthday. The games were very warmly contested and when the chaos was over, it was found that Mrs. John Berry, of Royal Oak, and her husband won first prizes for either sex respectively, the former getting a red tea pot and the latter a red necktie. Second prizes went to Mrs. Horace Waters, a red magazine stand, and Fred Riberdy, a deck of playing cards in a red leather case. Booby prizes went to sooth the feeling of Mrs. G. Isackson, a red vase, and M. Salmond, a set of soap images in red. Dainty refreshments, including a liberal supply of choice chocolates from Harold Sadows, were served, then all trekked homeward at a late hour in jolly spirits.

### LONDON LEAVES

Probably the coldest wave of the season struck this city on February 20th, when the thermometer went down to 22½ below zero, while in our neighboring city of St. Thomas, it tumbled to thirty below.

The deaf around here felt very sorry for Mr. Allan Nahrgang, of Kitchener, when they learned of his wife's death lately, and to Allan and his children they extended deepest sympathy.

We regret to say that Mrs. David Dark has been confined to her bed for several weeks, but as these items go off, she is reported to be on the mend and we all trust for a speedy recovery. Our deaf mission sent her a bouquet of lovely carnations.

Mr. W. K. Liddy, of Windsor, was down for the week-end of February 23d, having come to see his son at the Government Hospital. He returned home on February 26th.

Mr. David Dark took Mr. John Fisher's place at the Y. M. C. A. meeting on March 9th, and gave a very fine sermon.

Sorry to say that Mrs. John Pincombe is still at Victoria Hospital, where she has been since her painful fall on the icy pavement some time ago. Her advanced age is one thing that is against her speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Paul and child returned home to St. Thomas, on March 2d, after their visit here and got busy to arrange for the box social in aid of the O. A. D. sports fund, which was held at their home on March 9th, and a fair crowd turned out. Next day Mr. John F. Fisher, of this city, gave a good sermon at their service.

Mr. J. R. Byrne, of Toronto, will be in that city, on April 14th, and give a good Biblical address at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Munroe.

### GENERAL GLEANINGS

Miss Francis Kenny, of Acton, has been brought home again from the Guelph General Hospital, where she recently underwent an operation for appendicitis and is doing nicely.

Mr. Gerald R. Barnett, formerly of Sydenham, Ont., is now working for

Coltart Bros. at Melburne, Man., and was informed by his brother, Elmer, Barnett, of Foam Lake, Sask., that the JOURNAL, which Elmer takes, would bring him plenty of weekly news of the deaf, so Gerald lost no time in forwarding his subscription to the writer, to be promptly relayed to the editor. We are pleased to hear that Gerald is doing so well in the West. He has another deaf brother, Horace, and a deaf sister, now married and living in Winnipeg.

And still they drift in from everywhere, and this week's subscriptions hail from Walter Gagnon, of Long Branch, and Gerald R. Barnett, of Melburne, Man. Canada's list of JOURNAL readers is near the five hundred mark.

Mr. W. K. Liddy's article on "Cannot do without the Sign-Language" is right in all its meaning. The deaf should never be deprived of what is naturally a God-sent blessing and its use among themselves on all occasions is like bringing sunbeams of knowledge, idealism and good-will to the very heart. How charming it is to the human heart as they waft their meanings to one another in his way when they can never hear the human voice in its distinctiveness. It also helps to educate the deaf faster than any other means. Why should the deaf be forced to study under pure oralism when the sign-language is by nature the main artery that leads them to greater knowledge in their silent path. Those who advocate pure oralism in preference to the sign-language do not clearly understand the inner conscience of the deaf, and it is a safe bet that they would readily condemn pure oralism were they deaf themselves. To the deaf the sign-language is their most beautiful and beneficial heritage.

HERBERT W. ROBERTS.

### Maimonides and the Mute.

A great many interesting stories are told about the celebrated Jewish sage, Moses Maimonides. He was the rabbi of the Jewish community of Cordova, Spain, in the early days of the twelfth century. From distant lands men flocked to gather the words of wisdom that fell from his lips; for he was great not only in the knowledge of the Jewish law or Torah, but also in philosophy, astronomy, and medicine. Kings and princes often employed him as their physician.

The fame of Maimonides reached a certain Jewish family in London. The head of this family, a wealthy merchant, was the proud parent of an only son. The young man—scarcely more than a boy—was of a very scholarly disposition. He was never happier than when engaged in study, and his interest embraced every branch of learning and science. He longed to set his eyes upon the "light of Israel," as Maimonides was commonly called, and to become his disciple. He finally obtained his father's consent and set sail for Spain.

He had a very stormy voyage, and when near the coast of Spain was hurled against one of the ship's masts. He lay senseless for hours until he was discovered by the sailors. On regaining consciousness, he found himself speechless, the shock having rendered him dumb though not deaf. This, however, did not deter him from his purpose, and on his arrival at Cordova, he disguised himself in shabby clothes and went to see Maimonides. When he was finally ushered into the presence of Maimonides, he indicated by means of gestures that he wished to become one of his servants, demanding nothing in return but bread and clothes.

Now, Maimonides was a wealthy man and well provided with servants, but he pitied the stranger who was poor and speechless. He therefore accepted his offer and took him into his household service. At this the young man's heart leaped with joy. He was happy at the thought that henceforth he would be living under one roof with the greatest scholar of the age, observing his minutest actions and continually absorbing his ripe wisdom.

Without ever betraying the fact to his master, he applied himself with great zeal to the study of the

law and of the various branches of science. Whenever the disciples of Maimonides assembled at his house to hear his discourses, the youth would listen with rapt attention: whenever Maimonides retired to his room to study the Torah or to carry on his research in the field of medicine, the youth would be close at hand, eagerly watching every movement.

The sage never thought of taking any precautions against a simple-minded mute. Often, when Maimonides was out for a walk or to call on some royal patient, his room would be left in the care of the young servant. The latter never failed to seize these golden opportunities to read and reread the many books written in Maimonides' own hand, until he knew their contents by heart.

Thus the youth grew wiser every day, while his master had not the slightest inkling of the fact.

One day a prince of the royal house took sick. The greatest doctors were summoned, but they said they could do nothing. Finally Maimonides was called in for consultation. The sage arrived, examined the patient, then, turning to weeping relatives, he said: "I can save the patient if you agree to let me perform an operation on his brain. There is a worm on his brain, and when it is removed, the patient will recover."

The princes' relatives realized how dangerous such an operation was, but despairing of saving his life in any other way, they consented.

Maimonides went home, took his instruments and his young servant, the mute, carry them to the prince's palace, where he was also to assist his master in the operation.

As soon as they arrived, Maimonides lost no time in performing the operation. He cut into the patient's skull and revealed the worm that lay upon the brain. He drew from his case a pair of pinchers, but as he was about to seize the worm, he suddenly heard some one exclaim in Hebrew: "Stop! Do not touch the patient's brain with your instrument. It will kill him!"

Maimonides turned around, and when he saw that it was the mute who had spoken, he was startled. The young man had suddenly regained his speech in a moment of extreme excitement.

"Pardon me, master," entreated the youth, "I beg you to hear me. The worm has fastened itself firmly upon the brain, and if you attempt to seize it by force, you will surely kill that patient."

"You are right," admitted Maimonides, "but how can I remove the worm without injuring the brain?"

"You yourself have written in one of your books what should be done in a case," replied the youth.

"If I recall correctly, you say: 'Take the fresh leaf of a tree and place it near the worm. The worm will be attracted by the scent of the leaf and will leave the brain to crawl upon the leaf.'"

Maimonides remembered his own advice and followed it. The prince recovered completely from his dangerous sickness. Out of gratitude he offered to shower costly gifts upon Maimonides, but the latter refused to accept them. When the prince insisted on giving some reward, Maimonides said: "God has rewarded the one deserving of reward by restoring speech to the dumb youth, and by conferring upon the world another master of medicine to do his bidding."—*Jewish Deaf.*

### One's Stock in Trade

We judge a store by what it displays in its shop windows. If these windows are dirty, cluttered, and poorly arranged, we are not attracted to the establishment. But if the glass is shining, the goods appropriate, the arrangement artistic, and our own reception courteous, we feel that the management is businesslike, up-to-date, and efficient.

We naturally judge people by their appearance, manner, and speech, for these are the goods, or stock in trade, of the individual, which he exhibits in his window to the public.—Ex.

## SEATTLE

The Frats announce a basket party to be held at Carpenters' Hall, the evening of March 16th, half of the proceeds to go to the W. S. A. D. convention fund. It is to be a St. Patrick's Day affair, and prizes will be given for appropriate costumes.

For the same evening the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association announces its annual banquet and business meeting at the Evergreen Hotel in Vancouver, Wash. Dinner will be at 7:30 o'clock, at one dollar and fifty cents a plate. Over thirty plates have already been reserved. Each city or town represented at the meeting is requested to put on a stunt for the entertainment of the Chapter. There will also be a discussion of the Junior College for the Deaf.

Mrs. L. A. Divine and Hope drove to Seattle for the week-end of Washington's birthday, arriving on the evening of the 22d. They brought with them Mrs. Durgan and her daughter, the sister-in-law and niece of Mrs. Divine. Mrs. Durgan had never been in Seattle before, and Mrs. Divine devoted herself to showing her around. She was ably assisted by her son, Buster, a Sophomore at the University. Mrs. Durgan said she was in love with the city, and all who saw her said they were in love with her. The party returned to Vancouver on Sunday, stopping in Tacoma at the home of Alfred Goetz for a call on his aunts.

The Gallaudet Guild party of February 23d, was attended by thirty five, and a pleasant and lively time was enjoyed by all. Every one was surprised and pleased at the presence of Mrs. Divine and Mrs. Durgan, and these two ladies had a crowd around them all evening. Mrs. Kirshbaum had charge of the games, and succeeded in providing pleasant entertainment for all. Chewing gum pigs were molded on cards with tooth-picks, and Mrs. Roy Bradbury carried off the prize. Miss Mullin had a game prepared, a small jar filled with lima beans, and charged five cents a guess at the number of beans in the jar. Robert Bronson guessed within two beans of the correct number, and won the prize, a pack of cards. A game of forfeits was next on the program, and caused much fun. This lasted till the call for refreshments came. Half the proceeds of the evening were for the convention fund.

Mr. Bodley proved himself an amateur Houdini at the Guild party. He put his vest and coat on his wife in proper order, and then, in plain sight of all proceeded to remove the vest, but leaving the coat on. We will let the readers of this item figure out how he did it.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson, who have moved here from Portland, were at the party, and had their little son of nearly two years with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bertram, who were at the party, let out the fact that February 23d, was their nineteenth anniversary, and received hearty congratulations from all present.

Alfred Goetz was home for the week-end of the twenty-second, and dropped in for a call. He is happy at school and full of his doings there.

August Koberstein left on February 25th, for a three weeks' absence. He first went to Fresno, Cal., taking with him Mrs. Belle Smith, who is over eighty years of age and too old to travel alone. He left her with relatives at Fresno, and then went to San Jose, where he stayed a couple of days with a married daughter. Next he made a brief visit up in Corvallis, Ore., where he is now with his parents. He is very proud of the fact that both are hale and hearty, though over eighty years of age.

Mrs. Charles Boyle has gone to Vancouver, B. C., for a brief visit, being driven up by her husband. During their absence, Doris Mullin will stay at night with Sophia Mullin.

Last summer Mrs. Rod Campbell made a visit to her relatives in Virginia and nearby, and during her absence, Mr. Campbell had a rush of over-time work. He averaged sixteen hours a day at the boiler works where he is employed. It is several years now since he started at his job, and he has had steady work and much overtime right along.

Alice Hanson writes from Chicago that she recently attended a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morton Henry, and met some of the representative deaf of that city. She mentions Jimmy and Frieda Meagher, and says that Jimmy looks just as she remembered him when she saw him in Seattle. She also mentions the Rev. and Mrs. Flick, Mrs. O'Neil and Dr. Dougherty. Mrs. Morton Henry is a graduate of the Washington school and of Gallaudet. For the half-dozen years preceding her marriage to Mr. Henry, she was a ward of Dr. Hanson. Her maiden name was Bertha Thies-sen.

The P. S. A. D. had a board meeting on the 28th, and transacted several items of business.

Dr. Hanson held his first communion service at 8 A.M., March 3d. As the church at St. Mark's is always in use at that hour, the service was held in a corner of the big Sunday school room downstairs. A corner had been enclosed with monk's cloth, and a neat white altar erected, so that it made a very satisfactory little chapel. Twelve were present, and expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the arrangement.

A run up to Snoqualmie Falls on Sunday showed the falls at their best, the volume of water swelled by the melting snow in the mountains. They rushed down the 268 feet with a roar, and the spray formed a white cloud above the falls that at a distance looked like smoke. There was a fine mist falling near the mountains, though it was quite dry and pleasant a little distance away.

Oscar Sanders is working for a short time in Everett, waiting to be called to the lumber camp at Redmond.

Mr. Frank Gilmore is a recent addition to the circle of deaf. He is intelligent and well educated and sometimes writes for the daily papers. He lost his hearing not long ago. At first he tried lip-reading, but found it unsatisfactory. Now he is assiduously learning the sign-language, and appears to enjoy himself among the deaf.

Lloyd Henry, of Monroe, frequently comes to Seattle to attend church services for the deaf. He went to school a Vancouver. THE HANSONS.

### Allentown, Pa.

The St. Thomas Lutheran Church for the Deaf basketball team has not fared very well. They started off with a fraternity composed of former Allentown High School veterans, finishing in the rear—44 to 33. The next game was played at P. L. D. with the P. L. D. Silents. Another setback for the Lutherans—38 to 28. The third game was a return engagement with the above quintet. Again the Lutherans took another licking—31 to 26. Lack of practice is attributed for their poor showing.

On February 6th the Ladies' Aid Society gave a Valentine Party. In spite of the bad weather that evening, the attendance was unusually large. Games were played and refreshments were served.

The Allentown Branch of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf held its annual business meeting on January 19th. Election of new officers was the feature of the meeting. The following were elected: President, S. C. Mc Cormick; Vice President, M. J. Wolfe; Secretary, Willard Randolph; Treasurer, R. B. Van Eiten.

On February 16th, Messrs. Ernest Sechler, Howard Newhard and Harold Berger motored to Newark, N. J., then went to New York to attend the Frat frolic at Brooklyn.

Rev. H. J. Pulver held church services at the Church of the Mediator on March 10th.

Messrs. William Bohl and Harrison Litgenberger are busily engaged in making the Allentown Club for the Deaf's coming vaudeville a success. The show will be held on March 30th. Admission, 25 cents.

The Allentown Club for the Deaf will hold its fourth annual banquet on Saturday, May 4th, at Shankweiler's Hotel. Tickets will be two dollars. The charge includes transportation in a motor bus from club to hotel. For further information write to the chairman of the committee, Harold O. Berger, 723 N. Lumber St., Allentown, Pa.



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## Signs of Progress

By Elwood A. Stevenson

One of the greatest and most substantiated criticisms charged to the average teacher of the deaf, and this goes for the average superintendent, is that she is "opinionated" to a great extent, and being guilty of such, many times unconsciously holds back true progress in the work for the deaf. There have been and still are evidences of such condition in our schools today.

During the last fifteen or twenty years there have been many young and conscientious teachers enter our profession, very thorough and sincere in their training and hopes, but who because of being strongly opinionated, have carried on their work in a very stereotyped manner and in no way adapting their principles of teaching and training to their immediate surroundings and needs. They have put into practice certain ideas, which, it is certain, the heads of training classes never intended to convey or have effected.

For example, it cannot be conceived that the prime principle of their teaching was that a deaf child should never be allowed to see the written form of a word before he was capable of mastering it purely and wholly through lip-reading and speech. This procedure is against all pedagogical teaching and rule and has done a great damage to a large number of our deaf children. Yet, up until very recently, this idea held sway in a majority of our schools for the deaf and the feeling was so strong that those of us, who have always tried to avoid being opinionated, and who have felt that it was only normal for a deaf child to be able to understand expressions and language construction somewhat beyond his speech ability and therefore, instead of robbing the deaf child of his heritage, have allowed him to see the written form as soon as it was possible and reasonable to do so, were considered heretics and outside the pale. Today, thanks to the wisdom, foresight and backbone of some of our educators, the attitude has been right-about-face and the deaf child is now allowed to obtain his language in a more normal manner and in a way that will, instead of hampering his speech and lip-reading, increase and improve his ability along these lines. Here again, of course, sound judgment must be used. It is hoped that school teachers, will not go to the extreme in this respect, but arrange their work in a logical and sane manner and not cause an unfavorable reaction to the policy of permitting the deaf child to comprehend written language somewhat in advance of his speech and lip-reading ability and even in advance of his written language expression. It is only natural that a thing to be expressed must first be possessed; impression precedes expression.

Another phase of the work which is misunderstood by many members of the profession and which misunderstanding has caused erroneous statements to be made with reference to certain educational work, is the place and use of signs. Many consider signs as a method of instruction, and, therefore, look upon schools using the Combined System as sanctioning signs as a method of teaching deaf children. Signs are not a method, but merely a means of communication. The term "method" is out of place here and should not be used. In every well standardized school, signs are not used as a means of instruction in classrooms, although children among themselves use them as a means of communication outside the schoolhouse. When considered in their proper place, signs are not so insidious as many would make them out to be. To be sure, in classes of mentally deficient deaf children, signs and every manner of means of communication are used in order to enlighten and open the minds of these special children, their use under proper conditions is justifiable.

Every true educator and friend of the deaf is in agreement that signs should never be used in the Primary Unit group at any time. The desire here is to give every child as strong a command and comprehension of language, spoken and written, as is possible. When this has been well grounded and established and when he is transferred to the Academic group, signs will never hurt him nor retard his progress, provided they are not used in classrooms as a means of instruction. On the other hand, signs will afford him a great outlet for expression—will open up new fields of thought of him, and will bring to him the treasures and life experiences of men and women in a way no other means of communication could. His small and limited sphere of life is enriched through the source of sermons, lectures and conversation on topics of the day. There is no denying the use of signs, if considered as a means of communication and not as a method and if used in their proper place and at their proper time. Furthermore, all things to the contrary notwithstanding, the true deaf person, upon leaving school sooner or later, regardless of his early training, will resort to the use of finger-spelling and signs as his natural means of communication with his deaf fellowmen. Talk and argue as we will, this happens and takes place. It may be discouraged for a while by both friend and parent, but invariably the true deaf person (not deafened) at a certain age, seeks companionship and social contact and finds it at gatherings and meetings where other deaf people assemble. Gradually, he learns to finger spell and sign and finds new avenues of social intercourse and expression. After all, what is so terrible about this?

The average deaf youth, who possesses good speech, passing ability to read lips, and a good command of language, does not suffer because of his new type of association. His language remains the same; if anything, it becomes better. On the other hand, it is admitted that the only way to lay the foundations of good language comprehension and expression is through its constant daily use throughout the early years of a deaf child's school life. All are in agreement on his thought.

Signs as a method and used under wrong conditions and at the wrong time are not to be advocated by any true friend and educator of the deaf.

The thought uppermost in mind should be a strong command of language, its use and understanding, obtained naturally through its daily use and constant study, both spoken and written. Everything detrimental to such desire should be avoided while laying the foundation and the fundamental mastery of English. When such is accomplished, nothing out of school, be it signs or what not, will take away this command and ability.

—Cal. News.

## Brooklyn Frats Celebrate

Rounding out two decades of good and useful service, Brooklyn Division, No. 23, pioneer in the East of that million-dollar organization, the N. F. S. D., decided to celebrate the anniversary with a little party.

Instead of that, it was a mighty big affair. Approximately 250 of the faithful, including their wives and sweethearts, or lady friends, made the trip on March 16th, to Coney Island. Here in the grill room of the Half Moon Hotel, the swellest hostelry in the City by the Sea, the stage was set.

The walls were pictured with marine views and the room had tables, square and round, accommodating ten. On the dais at the head of the room, was the Past-Presidents' and Veterans' table. Livered waiters and attendants gave a million-dollar aspect to the ensemble, and with few exceptions Brother Frats had donned their tuxedos to add to the impression.

Paul Di Anno, as chairman of the committee, with aides in Brothers Peter Goetz, Joseph Gabriel and Joseph Sheehan, kept things on the move. Chairman Di Anno introduced Past President Thomas J. Cosgrove as toastmaster. Tom's first entry was Mrs. Johanna McCluskey. She rounded out a graceful and forceful rendition with the concluding lines, as the assembly stood:

"Long may it wave,  
O'er the land of the free  
And the home of the brave."  
Then all set to sampling the following menu:—

Fruit Cocktail	Florida
Celery	St. Germaine Soup
Olives	
Broiled Spring Chicken	
Potatoes au Gratin	String Beans
Heart of Lettuce	
French Dressing	
Ice Cream	
Assorted Cakes	
Coffee	

Entertainment by professional talent, directed by Prof. Nagle, magician extraordinaire, appeared between courses. Ouija, a mimic and paper-tearer, found favor. Following, Grace Little rendered several interpretive dances. Behind her came a precious tot of four summers in a toe dance that won her an encore. A more mature premiere danseuse gave an alluring Egyptian snake dance. Another number was a head-balancing act, changing to an honest-to-goodness set-to with boxing gloves. The audience were on their toes, not know-

ing whether to call the cops, or let it go as a part of the act, which is what it happened to be. Prof. Nagle ended the show with some clever magic. Mrs. Irving Blumenthal added her bit by interpreting.

Introduced by Toastmaster Cosgrove, first Past President Harry P. Kane recounted the early doings of the Brooklyn Society up to the time it became the first division in the East of the N. F. S. D. He recalled the scoffers at that time, and pictured events leading to the present-day standing, when the latter turned tail and followed others in enrolling.

Past President Alex. L. Pach succeeded his brother in office, taking for his theme "Statistics?" From a mere handful, he said, the organization had developed into a world-wide leader, and the end was not yet.

Harry Goldberg, present chief of No. 23, next got off to a good start. Telling of present day duties of a Division president, Harry wound up his remarks with a hope when he reached sixty or thereabouts, Division No. 23 would still be in the running as celebrators of their natal day. Mrs. Goldberg nodded assent as hubby resumed his seat.

Other speakers included Brothers John D. Shea, John F. O'Brien, Archie McLaren, Jack Bromo Seltzer, John Stiglibotti and Nick McDermatti. Mrs. H. P. Kane also spoke with a graceful "Thank You" for good words said of Hubby. Mrs. McCuskey followed with a request for a standing "Rah, Rah" for No. 23 by the ladies.

A happy incident of the evening was the presence of Mrs. Jones, wife of the late Prof. W. G. Jones, and her three daughters. The ladies had registered at the Half Moon for the week-end, with the intention their mother would benefit, and find relief for the nonce from her recent bereavement. It was gratifying to note how many of the deaf claimed the late Professor as their teacher, and how touching were their solicitations.

## PITTSBURGH

The St. Patrick Social held at St. Peter's Parish Saturday evening, March 9th, by the P. S. A. D. local branch was a splendid success despite the biting cold 52-mile gale which kept the attendance down some. About fifty-five braved the elements, which is slightly above the average of the past socials. John L. Friend was 'monarch of all he surveys' and the manner in which he put it over stamps him as eminently fitted to conduct such affairs. This, however, is no reflection on the chairmen of the previous socials, who did well under the existing conditions. There were counterattractions, but it is believed that such interferences will decrease with more "pep" and advertising on the part of the P. S. A. D. members.

The evening started with Irish jokes. There seemed to be no end of them, a member telling no more than three, but as there were other attractive features on the program the time for this enjoyment had to be limited. A prize, wall vase, was given to Irene Schiffro for having split our side widest.

Naming the four things peculiar to the Irish was won by James Friend. They were green flag, green hat, green pipe and green snake.

"Coo coo," the game that gingers up the gang, followed with everyone willing to do his stunt. Charles McArthur, whose slip told him to stage the Dempsey-Tunney fight, gave an excellent imitation of that memorable seventh round and of the latter kissing the canvas and of the former crouching and hitting with powerful blows, but sad to relate the prize did not go to him. But no wonder, most any of us boys would do that in our way if required, but suppose your punched slip told you to take off your shoes and stockings and put them on again in polite society! Well, the writer did that unblushingly and the judges awarded him the prize, an owl vase which the recipient presented to his other half who is one of the O. W. L. S., whatever that is. For women. Mrs. Harry Zahn won a glass sandwich plate, which comes in handy, as it is not long since she took the plunge into the matrimonial sea. The requirement of her was to act the part of a soldier on a march and giving salutes to his superiors in passing.

In a memory test game, a table of twenty-three different tools was moved along a line of chairs for the occupants to gaze at. Then papers were handed around to be filled up with the names of the objects. Miss Margaret McKenna had the most correct (14) and was given a giant lolly-pop.

Before dispersing, the crowd helped itself to refreshments served from the kitchenette below. About \$16 was realized for our Home from this affair.

The next meeting of the branch will be a business one, Saturday evening, April 13th.

Word has just come (March 13th.) of the death of Fred Allen. He has been in ill health for some time. He was operated upon a few days ago for mastoids, but his system had been undermined by poisons and he was too far gone to safely stand the operation, which was deemed necessary. He was a

Frat, a charter member of the P. S. C., and will be sadly missed by a host of friends. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his bereaved wife.

William Shaffer, of Punxsutawney, Pa., was killed by a train, Details are lacking.

The local branch, G. C. A. A., had a meeting at the Edgewood School, Friday evening, March 8th. Reports were given, but the election of officers was postponed till the next meeting, March 23d, as so many members were absent.

Rev. Henry J. Pulver will make his monthly visit here March 24th, Palm Sunday. Communion services will be held at eleven in the morning.

A playlet, "There's Many a Slip 'Twixt the Cup and the Lip," will be given at St. Peter's parish house, Saturday evening, April 27th, under the auspices of St. Margaret's Mission. Admission is only twenty-five cents.

FRANCIS M. HOLLIDAY.

## IN DIXIELAND

Funeral services for Miss Rachel Capps, 21 years old, who died Sunday night at her residence, 653 Hansell street, were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Grant Park Methodist Church. Rev. W. R. Kendall officiated, and interment was in Prospect churchyard, near Chamblee.

Miss Capps graduated from the Georgia School for the Deaf about two years ago. She had been ill for several months, but attended the services for the deaf at St. Mark's Methodist Church whenever her health permitted.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Capps; two sisters, Miss Lola Mae Capps and Mrs. E. M. Yancy, and one brother, James Howard Capps.

The services were interpreted to the deaf by Mrs. M. M. Simmons, and Rev. S. M. Freeman signed a beautiful prayer. The deaf of St. Mark's Church and also these of the B. Y. P. U. each sent beautiful floral offerings, and a large number of the deaf attended the funeral. On account of the heavy downpour of rain, but few went to the burial, which took place in a country church yard several miles from the city.

The second annual convention of the Dixie Association of the Deaf will be held at Atlanta on August 29th, 30th, 31st, 1929. Arrangements are now underway here to make this convention the largest, and best convention of the deaf the South has ever known. Atlanta wants to make this the crowning achievement of all the big events held here before, as it is likely to be the last truly big convention Atlanta will have for a good while to come.

Mr. Francis P. Gibson, president of the N. F. S. D., spent a couple of days pleasantly in Atlanta last week. The Nadfrat Women's Club honored him at a delightful dinner party on Thursday evening, March 7th. He was also shown portions of the city that he had not previously visited, and he seemed to have enjoyed his visit with the Atlanta deaf quite as much as they enjoyed having him with them. Come again, friend Gibson, you will always be welcome.

The Atlanta deaf were deeply grieved to learn on last Sunday of the death of Professor William G. Jones, of New York City. Professor Jones and wife were in Atlanta only last December, and while his visit was short, he and his wife made a deep impression on the hearts of the deaf of Atlanta. Our profound sympathy goes to the bereaved wife and children of this fine old gentleman.

The following from the *Deaf Carolinian* will be of much interest to the many friends of Professor and Mrs. O. W. Underhill, of North Carolina:

"Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Underhill recently received word that their son, James, had been appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point. James graduated recently from Staunton Military Academy at Staunton, Va. He will be admitted to the West Point institution about the first of July. We are all cordially interested in James' appointment and wish to congratulate him and his parents."

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Bush and Miss Ruth Tucker, who have been spending the winter at Coral Gables, Fla., will leave for their home in Richmond, Va., on March 26th. They are traveling by automobile, and expect to reach Richmond by the 30th.

The convention of the North Carolina Association of the Deaf will be held this year at Wilmington, N. C., on August 14th to 17th. We advise all our friends who can do so to attend this convention. We have attended the last two conventions in North Carolina, and found them especially interesting. After you have attended this gathering, come and help Atlanta celebrate the "South's Own" D. A. D. meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Michaels stopped over for a day in this city last week, on their way back to their home in Arkansas. Rev. Michaels is waging an active campaign now to further the Dixie Association of the Deaf Home for the Aged. It is hoped to announce something definite about this Home at the Atlanta convention.

C. L. J.  
Atlanta, March 11th.

## PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to James Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

### FAIRY GODMOTHER CLUB

Two very enjoyable gatherings of the Fairy Godmother Club of Philadelphia were held within the past two weeks and will pass into the history of this little social and charitable club as "Red Letter Days." During the second annual banquet of the club at the Adelpia Hotel on February 14th, Mrs. Wm. Ruthmund, an ex-president, one of the most popular of the club members, extended to her fellow workers an invitation to spend February 22d at her home. The invitation was received with great glee by all concerned, and on the appointed evening the club journeyed joyfully down to Olney. Every member was present, except Mrs. M. J. Syle, who was ill, and Mrs. C. O. Dantzer, who is in far-off Indiana.

Entirely new and very laughable games were played, stories exchanged and the evening passed all too quickly. Before midnight our hostess, assisted by her hubby, served very dainty and appetizing refreshments. Before separating for their homes, the club was again overjoyed by an invitation from Mrs. Nancy Moore, to be her guests at the residence of Mrs. M. J. Syle, who by one year's illness has been unable to attend the club's many social and business meetings. Mrs. Moore made an ideal hostess, her table and the menu being beyond all criticism. She had arranged a program for the evening.

Mrs. George M. Sanders gave a short sketch of the life of Hoover; Mrs. McGhee followed with a short sketch of Mrs. Coolidge, Miss Cora Reed rendered most gracefully "Lead Kindly Light," and yours truly told an interesting story of a lost hunter. The entire evening was a most delightful affair and thoroughly enjoyed. Miss Irene Syle, Miss Leaming, Mrs. Herbert Syle and Miss Kintze and Mrs. Mabel Wilson acted as waiters, and our sincere thanks are due to them for a splendidly successful party.

Just before all dispersed for home, Miss Manie Hess conveyed to the club an invitation from her sister, Miss Carrie Hess, head-matron of the Philadelphia School for the Deaf, an invitation to the club to be her guests on Wednesday, March 20th, and the association is looking forward to this affair with anticipations what the sissy misses "call a lovely time." The club has in project a Box Party to be given at the Pennsylvania School at Mt. Airy as soon as arrangements can be completed. The money so raised will be for the benefit of the Home at Torresdale.

G. M. D.

Greetings from Jamaica were sent us by Editor Hodgson and it was a pleasure to note that he is enjoying his mid-winter vacation in the far Southern country.

Mr. John A. McIlvaine, Jr., gave an interesting talk on the plans of the National Research Council to aid the deaf and the hard of hearing, before the Philadelphia Local Branch, P. S. A. D., at the North Philadelphia Y. M. C. A., on Saturday evening, March 16th. Mr. McIlvaine attended the meeting of the Council.

All Souls' Parish House, which was hoped from the beginning to be the deaf community center of Philadelphia, can no longer be regarded as such, and we should not be surprised if another agreeable center is found for all creeds.

A stated meeting of the Clerc Literary Association was held at All Souls' Parish House, on Thursday evening, March 14th.

Mr. Frank Jahn found it expedient to invest in an automobile to convey him daily to and from his work. He lives in Roxborough, a section of Philadelphia, where trolley facilities are least convenient, and therefore we think he did well in making the investment.

Mrs. S. O. Honsermyer, of York, Pa., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reider, in the city at present.

Some talk is going the rounds of making Erie, Pa., the meeting place of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf in 1930, close to the time of the meeting of the National Association of the Deaf and the World's Congress of the Deaf at Buffalo, N. Y. The idea is a good one, though we doubt that there will be many who can attend the three meetings, which would entail a long absence from home and work, not to mention the unusual expense. However, as no one is required to go to New York State after the Pennsylvania meeting, we might generously acquiesce to meet at Erie to give others the chance to "kill three birds with one stone." A lot will depend upon the time selected for the meetings, for past experience in this State has shown that the time around Labor Day is most popular for the State society's meeting, and should be well considered.

On second consideration, we think that if the N. A. D. meets early in July as it usually does, it may be more profitable for the P. S. A. D. to meet at its accustomed time; that

is, around Labor Day, and somewhere in the central part of the State. And Erie can be selected any other year before doomsday.

Mr. and Mrs. Flenner's oldest daughter was removed to a hospital, suffering with scarlet fever.

Mr. William Walker was operated on for appendicitis, and, as far as we know, the operation was successful.

Mrs. Joseph Mayer was recently operated on for appendicitis in a hospital and has since returned home.

By invitation of Superintendent Gruver and the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, the 1929 meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf will be held at the Institution from August 30th to September 2d, inclusive.

An effort is being made by the Lancaster deaf to revive their local branch. Success to them.

Philadelphia mourns with New York the passing of Mr. William G. Jones.

## Gallaudet College

The lecture of Dr. Thomas Fox, '83, before the Literary Society was an inspiring effusion of the speakers great personality. We would like to give the talk in full, but as there are many things to report in this column, we must confine ourselves to the choicest morsels. The lecture centered around two main topics: the dissemination of knowledge about the deaf among hearing people who do not understand, and the part Gallaudet College is playing in this work. Dr. Fox described the widespread misunderstanding about the deaf in the world at large, citing examples from his own experience to show how even those who should know, do not comprehend that deafness is a handicap that does not imply incapacity, dependence upon the public and mental impairment. This, he pointed out, was the outstanding problem that the deaf must tackle in all sections of the country.

It may be partly due to old superstitions about the deaf child, but, on the whole, it is due to the lack of energetic warfare against the prevailing notions on the part of the deaf themselves. He sounded a plea to the deaf and especially to those, who had or are now attending Gallaudet and the leaders of the deaf in this country, to come forth from the background of obscurity, and show the public that the deaf can speak and work and understand as well as his hearing brother. He mentioned using what speech we have whenever we are among hearing people as one of the most effective of correcting this evil.

He closed his talk with a glowing tribute to the college which can be given in full: "In the important field of ministration, to the adult deaf especially, the greatest benefits have followed the active part played by the alumnus of Gallaudet College as leading spirits in promoting the spiritual and temporal welfare of the adult deaf."

"Over and above the superior mental attainments and material success shown by many of its graduates, it is, indeed, a most prominent characteristic of its efforts, and one that has raised the deaf of the new world far above the level of those of other nations. The earnest endeavor of the college, its President and Faculty is probably not often noticed by the general public, but we who know of the splendid results attending its education of the deaf on the highest plane, of students representing every section of our country as well as others from Canada and countries beyond the sea, are proud and grateful that such a college is in existence. Quickly and effectively it pursues its course, doing service which brings knowledge, happiness and usefulness to a fairly large part of the community. Like the lowly clover, it may grow unseen, but the fragrance of its perfume showers forth the lesson of its lasting worth."

Quite in keeping with this lecture is the publicity that the city papers have been giving the deaf and Gallaudet of late. Chiefly through the efforts of David Peikoff, '29, articles have appeared in the *Post* and *Star*, describing the lecture, the Kappa Gamma banquet and other events of interest here. The attitude of the *Star* toward the deaf is shown by the action of the city editor of that paper in declining to publish a snatch of poetry submitted by one of the College correspondents in connection with an article, on the grounds that it might create the impression among the readers of the *Star* that it was trying to make fun of the deaf. The newspaper is a wonderful method of acquainting hearing people with the deaf, and it is hoped more use will be made of it in the future here and elsewhere in the country.

The Kappa Gamma banquet was a great success from every point of view. Some fifty-eight were present at the Feast of the Ravens, including a large number of alumni brethren from far and near. Caspar Jacobson and Charles Miller drove in from Columbus to represent the Epsilon Chapter; from the Alpha Chapter was Dr. Fox. William

Beadell and Guilbert Braddock, while George Sanders, Charles Killian, and Edward Kaercher represented the Delta Chapter in Philadelphia. James Sullivan came all the way from Connecticut to announce the proposed formation of a new chapter at Hartford. Charles Dobbins, John O'Rourke, Barney Golden, George Faupel, Toivo Lindholm, Charles McBride, August Herdtfelder, Charles Seaton and the alumni brethren of Washington D. C., were also at the feast.

The menu was as tempting as one as could be devised, and after all was disposed of mid sighs of pleasure, the varied and interesting program proceeded. Konrad Hokanson, the Tahdheed, read communications from brothers who were unable to attend the banquet. Chester Dobson, dressed as a girl from Queen Litzo's Follies, with Louis Dyer standing behind and supplying the "feet," did an amusing dance on a table that brought forth peals of laughter. The way they exposed the artifices and secrets of the other sex makes us wonder how they came to know so much. Out with it, Chester!

Theodore Brickley, Max Friedman and Einer Renksjar then gave an entertaining rendition of the song "Jolly Good Old Ale," singing the chorus in unison. But the climax of the program was reached when Howard T. Hofsteater enacted a series of imitations, portraits of a man doing this or that. Among his presentations was an imitation of a man taking a cold shower bath, of a novice driving a car and getting into a wreck, of a man trying to eat a tough squab, of a bass solo singer strutting his stuff, of an orchestra leader, and of a student opening his mail and his utter despair when he fails to find a check enclosed. The exhibition brought the house to its feet in applause, an unprecedented honor.

LeRoy Ridings then teetered onto the platform and rendered "John Barleycorn" in a way that really warmed our hearts and stomachs with the very suggestion. (The redness and unstable equilibrium were, of course, affected.) David Peikoff, the toastmaster, then made the announcement of the establishing of the Kappa Gamma Scholarships, a thing long needed at Gallaudet. Thomas Marr, may his tribe increase, donated the first scholarship of \$1,000; the interest from which will be given to some needy worthy student next September.

The Epsilon Chapter of Columbus is now working on a scholarship of its own, to be known as the Epsilon Chapter Scholarship, while the shrine has started a third which will be greatly enlarged in the near future by donations and pledges from other chapters and brothers. Gallaudet has a crying need for this form of aid just now, as many deserving students are unable to finish their courses due to the heavy expense. The scholarships are to be of \$1,000 each and will be governed by a board consisting of President Percival Hall, Harley Drake and Irving Fusfeld, along with the Grand Rajah and Tahdheed then in office. Mr. Drake will be treasurer of the Board and will receive all donations. The Marr Scholarship has started the ball rolling and it is hoped and expected there will soon be several such scholarships which, along with the O. W. L. S. scholarships, will do much to encourage needy students to renewed efforts; and at the same time promote harder study among all classes.

The second term examinations are almost upon us and everyone is seen busily reviewing worn textbooks in preparation. As the third-term social schedule has not yet been made public, little excitement in the way of entertainment is in prospect for the near future.

However, the baseball and track squads are out every afternoon, warming up and doing extensive training for the seasons to come. It is still too early to comprise the material available for both squads, although it appears to be promising, but we will be able to give these two sports more comment next week. "Wallie" Krug is coaching the baseball team and keeping the men hopping all over the field. The track squad is especially fortunate in having the coaching services of Mr. Harry Helme, who formerly represented the United States in the Olympics and has since then been to those games twice as an observer and writer. He is gifted with a wide knowledge of track and field events and is a master of training technique. It was only through his business relations with the students as salesman that we succeeded in securing his services.

### At They Saw It

In discussing the human side of craft problems, a scientist tells an illuminating little tale of three stone cutters, who were asked what they were doing.

"Cutting stone," the first replied. "Earning my bread by the sweat of my brow," replied the second.

"Do you see that great cathedral?" replied the third. "It is being built to withstand the centuries and I am helping to build it."

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## CHICAGO

Anton Novotny's father, aged 99, died last week of heart failure. He apparently was in good spirits and health when he went to bed at night. A noise of shaking the house awakened Mr. and Mrs. Novotny at 4 A.M. They went into every room to see what the trouble was, and finally found the father lying on the floor dead. It was believed at first that the deceased was killed in a fall off the bed, but a doctor was called to examine him and pronounced him dead from heart disease. He leaves an estate containing three houses, lots and others, to be divided among his children.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Freighan stopped off here for some days, on their way back home in Philadelphia from a stay of two months in California. Mrs. Freighan went on March 8th to Indiana to visit her folks, leaving her husband to stay and visit the Ephpheta Club and other friends. Then he departed March 12th to join her and after that they continued on their way to Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Anna McGann announces a lecture by Mr. Asa A. Stutsman, of Detroit, Mich., to be held at the Pas-a-Pas rooms, Saturday, March 30th, for the benefit of the Home for Aged Deaf. A large attendance is desired. Tickets are thirty-five cents.

The Chicago Council No. 1 of K. L. D. held a monthly business meeting at the Ephpheta Club house, Sunday, March 10th, at 3 P.M. After the close of the meeting, they passed a pleasant evening in social conversation.

On Saturday, March 9th, the Pas-a-Pas room was the lively scene of a "500" and bunco party, managed by Mrs. E. E. Carlson. The usual number was present, and indulged in games for prizes.

The lease of the hall by the Pas-a-Pas Club will expire May 1st, its members will meet next week to vote to renew it or seek a larger hall, according to President Frank Johnson.

Frank Pleasant, head of the printing department at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, received a sad message last Saturday of the death of his brother-in-law, Charles Sager, who died at Dayton, O., following an operation.

The following officers have been elected by the club recently organized by the young men deaf men of Delavan, Wis.—President, Harry Wille; Vice-President, John Braclaus; Secretary, Marvin Goff; Treasurer, Francis McLean.

Mesdames Neesam and Pleasant entertained eighteen deaf ladies at a card party, at the Neesam home at Delavan, Wis., on Saturday evening. Five hundred was played during the evening, for which prizes were awarded to Mrs. O. R. Wille for high score and second to Mrs. Coulthard. Refreshments were served.

The death of two pupils cast a gloom over the Wisconsin School for the Deaf. They died of measles. Their names were Edward Boebel, ten years old, passing away at the home of a relative in Delavan, February 26th, and Raymond Steinacker, seven years old, in the Institution hospital, Wednesday, March 7th. Raymond's illness left him in a weak condition and he was unable to rally from an operation. His father was at his bedside when the end came. The bodies of Edward and Raymond were taken to Bosobel and to Butternut, Wis., respectively, for burial.

Edgar Bloom, of New York City, was a visitor at the M. E. Mission, Sunday, March 10th.

Guy Hoagland is enjoying a visit of his niece, hailing from Indiana. She will return home in two weeks.

Mrs. P. Hasenstab, who has been under the weather for some time, is on the mend.

The Methodist Mission will avail itself of the courtesy of the Board of Trustees in placing the use of the audience room of the Chicago Methodist Temple at its disposal for its Easter Sunday service. Friends of the Mission are accordingly prepared to attend the service there. Fellowship tea will await their presence at the Mission's headquarters after the service.

The executive committee of the Members' Meeting of the Methodist Mission has voted to hold its monthly meeting on March 23d, instead of the following 30th, so that the members thereof may attend Mrs. Asa Stutsman's lecture at the Pas-a-Pas Club room.

Mark C. Knightbart, aged fifty-six, underwent an operation for gallstones at the Garfield Park Hospital, on Wednesday, March 6th, and passed away at 3 o'clock of the following morning. Funeral services were held for him on the following Saturday and the remains were sent to Taylorville, Ill., for interment. His wife and a married sister with her two daughters survive him. He and his sister managed the hotel at Momence for about fourteen years. Since moving to Chicago he had been employed in a publishing house. Mrs. Knightbart's mother preceded him in death February 2d.

Mrs. Hattie Odom gives the following news about the doings of the colored deaf:—

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Woolfolk on the 7th of February, a bouncing baby boy. From latest reports mother and baby are doing fine. Congratulations. Pass us the cigars, Wade.

We were informed recently of the death of Mrs. Willie Shepherd, wife of Robert Shepherd. She had been in ill health for the past three years and expired on the 15th of last month at her former home at Mufreesboro, Tenn. We extend to the husband our heartfelt sympathy in his sad bereavement.

We are glad to announce that we have another of the "latest arrivals" in our colony, that being Miss Mary Davis, a graduate of the Connecticut School at Hartford. Whether her stay is permanent or not is problematical, yet she is being well entertained.

## OMAHA

The Midwest basketball tournament, scheduled for March 1st and 2d, was abandoned on account of quarantine for scarlet fever at the Kansas School and also because some of the players on the Oklahoma team were above the age limit set by the H. S. A. A., of which the Nebraska team is a member. The team was the winner in class B for this district, and Omaha's only representative at the state tournament held at Lincoln. The N. S. S. boy defeated the Falls City and Superior team, but these two victories sapped their energy, so they were in no condition to play the Strong Valley team. They were defeated 27 to 16 and failed to qualify for the finals. Nevertheless, they had a very successful season, partly due to the energy and confidence of their coach, Nick Peterson.

The March meeting of the Midwest Chapter was held at the hospitable Elks' Club Hotel, on March 8th. The new constitution was read and voted upon, which took considerable time. The winners at Bridge were Miss Mary Dobson and Mr. M. J. Hester. Hosts and hostesses were Messrs. and Mesdames L. Holway, Robert Mullin and Mrs. Emma Seeley. Delicious refreshments were served.

The next meeting will be held April 6th, at Hotel Chieftain in Council Bluffs. Congratulations to Jen and Bob—otherwise known as Miss Jennie Jones and Mr. Robert Werdig, for their successful handling of the Washington, D. C., column in the JOURNAL and a similar column in the *Hawkeye*. Hal and Mel are known in private life as Harry G. and Mabel E. Long, and having a home and two children to look after, are satisfied to be the JOURNAL's persistent, if somewhat irregular, correspondents from Omaha. The pen names are used for the sake of brevity only.

Claude J. Self, who formerly worked for the Nash Motor Co. of Milwaukee, is in Omaha, trying to find a job and would like to locate here permanently. So far he has not found anything very promising, although he likes this town.

The February issue of the Nebraska Journal contained a very interesting autobiography by Dr. Percival Hall of Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. Each issue of the school paper contains an autobiography by a teacher of the deaf and they make very interesting reading for the deaf and others interested in their welfare.

Congratulations to Mr. Hodgson, on reaching the age of seventy-five, with over two-thirds of them spent in teaching the deaf. Few of us can even hope to do as well. Our personal relations with him have all been pleasant ones.

### HAL AND MEL

### Funds of Former Gallaudet Society

Through the order of the Suffolk Superior Court, the funds of the Gallaudet Society for the Deaf, which was organized nearly 40 years ago, and had long since ceased to function, have been turned over to the treasurer of the New England Home for Deaf-Mutes. The Gallaudet Society was organized for educational, social, and literary purposes, and at one time was a vital social force among the deaf of Boston and vicinity. Death, advancing age and removal from the vicinity of Boston resulted in a loss of membership, and in recent years the sole surviving active member was Edwin W. Frisbee, of Wrentham, who was both president and treasurer.

Legal action was instituted in 1927 to wind up the affairs of the society, which was incorporated under Massachusetts laws, and on February 12th, Judge Qua approved the petition for the dissolution of the society and the payment of the balance of its funds, to the New England Home for Deaf-Mutes, which is also incorporated under Massachusetts laws. The balance, which was in two savings banks, amounted to \$1094.45.—*New England Spokesman*.

### THE CONVENTION

It is officially announced in the *Annals* that the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf will meet at the Minnesota School for the Deaf at Faribault this summer. The date is the week of June 17th, which is about two weeks earlier than usual. Of recent years it has been the week that included the close of June and beginning of July.

## NEW YORK

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The funeral service of the late Mr. W. G. Jones, who died last week, was held at St. Ann's Church for the Deaf, on Tuesday evening, March 12th. The church was crowded with sorrowing relatives and others who came to pay their last respects.

There was a great profusion of flowers that completely filled the chancel. Among them was a wreath from the Board of Directors of Fanwood, one from the pupils, another wreath from the teaching staff, and one from the household staff. A cross of lilies was from the members of St. Ann's Church, and the Men's Club also sent a wreath.

The services were conducted jointly by the Rev. Milo H. Gates, of the Church of the Intercession, Rev. Arthur H. Judge, of the Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy, and Rev. John H. Kent, Vicar of St. Ann's. An eulogy of the life of Mr. Jones was delivered by Rev. Judge, which was interpreted by Mr. I. B. Gardner, principal of the Fanwood School.

A vested choir composed of Mrs. Wanda Burke, Mrs. Elsie Funk and the Misses Jessie Garrick, Ethel Breneisen, Flora Murchie and Edna Adams, gave beautiful sign renditions of the hymns, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "Abide with Me," and "For all the Saints From Their Labors Rest," which were sung vocally by Mrs. Elizabeth Gallaudet.

Six cadets in the neat gray uniforms of the Fanwood School stood guard around the casket, which was almost covered with a blanket of pink carnations. The honorary pallbearers were Principal I. B. Gardner, Dr. T. F. Fox, Major W. H. Van Tassel and Mr. W. A. Renner, from Fanwood; Mr. S. Frankenheim and Mr. E. Souweine.

Miss Elizabeth Peet came from Washington, D. C., to represent Gallaudet College at the funeral.

At the conclusion of the services, all filed past the bier for a last look at their departed friend.

Interment was at Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn on Wednesday morning.

Besides the immediate relatives, there were present Dr. Fox and Mr. Lux, with a cadet captain and a bugler from Fanwood, representing the school. Rev. J. H. Kent read the commitment service, and as the casket was slowly being lowered, the long soft notes of the bugle sounding "Taps," bid a last farewell to the beloved William George Jones.

On Saturday evening, March 10th, a large assembly gathered at the D. M. U. L. rooms for the Literary Night.

First on the program was the one-popular shadowgraph, by Mr. George St. Clair, with the aid of others.

After the shadowgraph came the debate on the question, *Resolved*, That the restriction in immigration is a wise policy.

Michael Ciavolino, one of the debaters, was unable to be present. Mr. Michael Hamra, rather than postpone the debate, offered to argue against three unprepared members. Mr. Funk took him at his word and selected Messrs. Charles Sussman, Arthur L. Taber and Jack Ebin.

The judges were Messrs. E. Souweine, Sam Kohn and Miss Anna Klaus, who announced the verdict in favor of Mr. Hamra.

Mr. Nathan W. Miller followed with a narrative of his recent rescue from a burning building.

The last number in the program was Mark Twain's story of "Joan of Arc," by Mr. John N. Funk, to which rapt attention was given throughout. Mr. Funk made clear and graphic signs. At the conclusion he was loudly applauded.

Mr. Jacques Amiel, is back in New York, after spending two months in Miami Beach, Fla. He went there by boat, but returned to New York by various buses, thus seeing many beautiful places on the way, and besides the fare was much cheaper, and he also considers it more pleasant. While in Florida, he met but few of the deaf. He says that every deaf-mute in Miami Beach and nearby resorts seems to own an auto, and that the deaf there are very hospitable, for he was invited to many rides, thus seeing much of the place he would have been unable to do without the aid of a car. His place was open to him when he returned, so he is all smiles.

On St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, Mr. and Mrs. Stein gave a little party at their home to twelve close friends. They had a good supper and received little novelties. A donation for the Brooklyn H. E. S. was collected to help the poor people at Passover. Those who attended the party were Mr. Philip Hoenig, Miss Sara Zanger, Mr. and Mrs. Eisenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Dobseve, Mr. Newman, Mr. Gorthainer, of Newark; Mr. Hecht and Mrs. G. Taube. They had a pleasant evening.

Miss Freda Marrin, on Sunday, March 3d, was married to Mr. Harry Neufeld. They spent a week honeymooning in Washington, D. C.

### XAVIER EPHPHETA SOCIETY NOTES

A good-sized assembly attended the March first Sunday meeting of the X. E. S., held in the College Theatre. The usual service, with President Fives reading the Gospel, and Father Purtell delivering the sermon thereon, was followed by benediction in the Lower Church.

Among other things, Father Purtell announced "The Way of the Cross" for Palm Sunday, March 24th, in the Lower Church. He asked that all Ephphetas and their friends attend. The service will begin at 3:30 P.M.

In preparation for Easter, which this year will be celebrated with special mass for the deaf at 9 o'clock in the College Alumni Chapel, 30 West 16th Street, Father Purtell will be at the College on Holy Saturday, from noon till 10 P.M., to accommodate all the deaf who intend to receive the Sacrament on Easter Sunday morning.

The meeting of the Ephphetas followed Sunday's services. The advance report of President Fives, general manager of the January 26th Armory meet, was received with satisfaction. He handed over to the Rev. Director of the X. E. S. a check for an even \$400, for his use in the "good works" of the society for some time to come.

In addition, near to \$80 was paid out by Treasurer Lamberson for sick relief at this meeting, and an Easter donation was made to St. Francis Xavier.

Unless Father Purtell decides otherwise, a week-day evening will hereafter be available for the meetings of the X. E. S. card-holders in the College. This will permit of more extended discussion of the society's affairs. It accords with the wishes of the Rev. Director and the members.

### THE MARGRAF CLUB'S ST. PATRICK DANCE.

There have been various kinds of social affairs given by the deaf societies of New York, big and small, which have attracted the deaf, but to the recollection of ye scribe there never has been any to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, as on Saturday evening, March 16th, by the Margraf Club, at the Union League Hall.

There members of the Margraf Club are not all Irish, though its president, Eddie Kerwin, is. Be that as it may, the dance drew a big crowd.

The members were here and everywhere, striving to make the occasion enjoyable to all, and every one who attended seemed to be enjoying the affair.

There was an orchestra on the platform and the dancing was kept up till far into the night.

Refreshment in the form of ice-cream and cake was sold at cost price, and though a large supply was provided, it all vanished in short time.

There were a few games. In the balloon contest, Albert Capocci came out the winner. Three other prizes were won by Larry Allen, Wilder Christensen and Francis E. Foster.

The Committee of Arrangements were: J. Gleicher (chairman), E. Kerwin, P. Blend, H. Rubenstein, D. Aellis, H. Whiteman, B. Ash and N. Giordano.

The officers of the Margraf Club for 1929 are: President, Eddie Kerwin; Vice-President, J. Gleicher; Secretary, H. Carroll; Treasurer, W. Schurman.

At the Hebrew Educational Society auditorium in Brownsville, Saturday evening, March 9th, the Brooklyn Hebrew Society of the Deaf tendered at Charity Entertainment and Dance to an assemblage of 300 persons.

The entertainment started with Jack Seltzer and "Issy" Blumenthal in a dialogue entitled "Bits of Nonsense," which put the audience in rollicking laughter. Both were in very comical garbs, Seltzer as a high-class hobo, and Blumenthal as a swell Jane.

The feature of the program was the showing of Prof. Tolson's magic wizardry. What the audience enjoyed most was the filling of six cups with hot coffee from a silver cup filled with confetti. The coffee was served to those who were thirsty.

The entertainment lasted two hours, and was followed by dancing with music by a well-known Brooklyn orchestra.

The proceeds of the affair will go to purchase Passover food for the needy.

The members of the Hebrew Association of the Deaf are overjoyed by the news that they will have their Friday evening services in the near future in the community building of the partially finished spacious Temple Emanu-el, 65th Street and Fifth Avenue. The Board of Trustees of this association graciously beg for a large attendance, to show sincere appreciation to those who have kindly offered the occupancy of the building.

The Hebrew Association of the Deaf will hold its annual charity ball, next Saturday evening, March 23d, at Odd Fellows Hall, Smith and Schermerhorn Streets, Brooklyn. Cash prizes will be awarded to winners of the fancy dancing contests. See advertisement on last page.

Mr. Charles Fitzpatrick is employed as a mechanic at the Fokker aircraft plant. He is a graduate of the Fanwood School.

Before the next issue of the JOURNAL goes to press, Editor Hodgson will be back in New York. While he has been away, the committee in charge of the testimonial dinner for him by his printer boys have been busy getting things in shape. Nearly a hundred have reserved plates for March 30th at the Aldine Club, but as it can accommodate double that number, there is room for more. But the committee would like to have donations from those out of town, who are too far away to come in person. A fine menu booklet will be printed, with the names of those present and their guests, and also those who contributed, so it is desired to have as many names in it as possible. Mr. Max Lubin sends in the following:—

### TO THE PRINTER BOYS OF EDWIN ALLAN HODGSON

Comrades, let us gather at old Fanwood's printing school. Where Edwin Allan Hodgson kept the trade's golden rule; His task is almost finished; he's old and turning gray— Come and greet our teacher, on his diamond natal day.

If we were unappreciative of teacher's exactitude, And thought that which he taught us, were methods awful crude; The years since then have mellowed, to some it's fifty-one— Come and let us tell him what his help has really done.

Comrades, let us greet him in a testimonial way, Let us gather at the banquet board and have our little say; To prove the hearty esteem within our loving toast— "Long life to teacher Hodgson, our honored friend and guest."

Mr. Harris Marks and Mrs. Ginsberg, father and sister of Marcus H. Marks, who have been in Miami for a month or so, met Mrs. Sammel Lowenherz there one day last week, and as they are old friends, enjoyed meeting very much.

Mrs. Pauline Kind, beloved mother of Mrs. Stella Eber, Mrs. Loretta Hertzfeld and Mrs. Jessie Levy, passed away March 3d, aged sixty-three. She suffered from cancer for a short time. Mr. and Mrs. Kind are well-known to many of the deaf, and the sympathy of their friends goes to Mr. Kind and the children.

### I Made a Mistake.

There came a young deaf boy, just out of school, looking for work. He was strong physically and appears to have a good mind. He is the very kind of a man anybody would want to employ.

"Are you a good printer?" asked the gentleman to whom he applied.

"No, sir," said the young man, "I am not a good printer. I would like to help you while I learn."

"Did you take printing at school?" "I did, but somehow I did not try very hard and so did not master any part of it."

Well, I am a very busy man and have no time to teach you or anybody else. What I want is one who can go ahead with the work and turn it out as fast as I want it.

The young man then said, "I will have to hunt something else to do."

"What else did you learn at school?"

"I worked in the woodworking department quite a good deal and might be able to get on there."

He was then directed to an establishment where they did fine woodwork and the young man went and applied.

He was handed a blue print and told where to find tools and lumber and was given eight hours in which to turn out the simple cabinet pictured in the blue print. But he did not know anything about blue prints and he did not think he could make that cabinet. He told the foreman that he would like to help in the shop while he learned the blue prints and how to make cabinets and other pieces of furniture. The man told him he had no time to teach him. He ought to have learned that in school.

The young man then realized what a great mistake he had made by not being more interested when he had a chance to learn.

"I have made a mistake," he said, "although I did not intend to. I think I shall have to go into some shop and begin all over again. I am very anxious to earn some money and to have good employment, but I am not ready."

So he went back to his old school and asked for another year in which to buckle down and learn something worth while. Fortunately the situation was such that he could be given another year. He did buckle down, he worked hard, he mastered linotyping and was able to go out into the trade and earn union wages.

But he did more than that. He prompted all the boys in the linotyping department and, in fact, all the shops to hustle in learning their trades. In place of cutting the two hours and a half to which they are entitled to work, he advised them to put in more time. Some boys responded to his appeals, but others trifled away a part of the time they had to spend in the shops and, of course, would go into the world shortly, looking for work but unable to do anything.

If the boys in school could look ahead few years until they would

have to hunt work, they surely would be more energetic and more careful in learning a trade while in school. Here it costs them nothing and everything is furnished. They should put in all the time they have and ask the foreman for more.—*Ohio Chronicle*.

## FANWOOD

### NOTES FROM THE LITTLE PRINTER

Everyone was shocked to hear that Mr. William George Jones passed away on Sunday, March 10th, at the Knickerbocker Hospital. He is missed by all. On Tuesday, the 12th of March, most of the pupils above the fourth grade viewed the remains in his home on West 183d Street.

There were many magnificent floral pieces and wreaths. One big wreath was from the boys and girls of Fanwood. There were also wreaths from the Board of Directors, the office staff, the teachers, and the household staff.

The funeral took place at St. Ann's Church on the evening of Tuesday, March 12th. Every member of the Protean Society and one sergeant attended the services.

The church was crowded with friends and relatives. He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, in Brooklyn, the following morning. The sympathy of all here goes to his wife and children.

The members of F. L. A. enjoyed an interesting program by Miss Peck's Sixth Oral grade in the chapel on Thursday night, March 14th. The stories were very good and were enjoyed by every one of us. The debate was also interesting. The affirmative side won.

A small playlet closed the program, which contained a few tricks of magic. That was the first time those pupils appeared before the F. L. A. and they managed to do well. After that, Dr. Fox gave some important current events. Following is the program:—

1. "At the Little Boy's Home"—Rose Fraticello.
2. "Captured with a Wooden Cannon"—Philip Bodler.
3. "Honesty"—George Herbst.
4. "The Little Match Girl"—Ida Horowitz.
5. "A Brave Little Girl"—Eleanor Swenson.
6. "Washington and His Dog"—Albert Capocci.
7. "The Lincoln One-Cent Piece"—Alma Smith.
8. "Putnam's Fight with Fire"—Sam Schmick.
9. DEBATE—*Resolved*, That the subway is a better means of travel than an automobile. Affirmative—Albert Capocci and George Herbst. Negative—Alma Smith and Mercedes Norman.
10. "Elizabeth Zane"—Mercedes Nordman.
11. "Trusting An Indian Chief"—Matilda Veil.
12. Skit—"Hunting a Job in Hollywood"—George Herbst, Albert Capocci and Philip Bodler.

Recently the band basketball team defeated the waiters, 13-10, and the battalion team, 26-14, and they hope to keep on winning.

Many of the boys are practicing running to compete in the events at Horace Mann School next April.

A fungo ball game was played for the first time on Tuesday afternoon, March 12th, led by two teams, captained by Nicholas Giordano and Milton Koplowitz. The score was a tie, 3 to 3.

Isadore Stein and Joseph Gottlieb presented Leopold Port with a fine wallet on his birthday, Friday March 8th. He was very much pleased with it.

On Sunday, March 10th, Carlos Astor, Ralph Goldstein, Thomas Kolenda and Bona Trapanese hiked from Yonkers, N. Y., to school. They were dead tired after the long walk.

The Easter vacation begins next week, Saturday, March 23d, and ends on Tuesday, April 2d. The pupils are looking forward to a happy time and lots of colored eggs to eat.

A card from Panama City, dated March 8th, states that Benjamin F. de Castro, was with Editor Hodgson and Mr. Sylvester Fogarty at 1:30 P.M., and the trio had driven around the city and the Canal Zone for three hours. The travelers left at 5 o'clock. Mr. de Castro is a graduate of Fanwood and was delighted to meet those from his Alma Mater.

There will be a demonstration of daily class work of the girls' physical education classes on Thursday evening, March 21st, at 7:45 o'clock, in the girls' study hall. Mrs. Mayne H. Voorhees is the girls' physical training director. All are welcome to see the exhibition.

Miss Elizabeth Peet, of Gallaudet College, was in New York last Tuesday and Wednesday. She was the guest of Principal and Mrs. Gardner during her stay.

Men should be made to take vacations—so they won't get the idea that they are indispensable.

## OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to B. M. Edgar, 56 Latta Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

The world long has looked with unfriendly glances on March, but the alternate freezing and thawing helps the soil, they say, to prepare for the month of planting. These winds we so despise, help the sap to flow and give new life to the trees. Seems natural though for people to growl when the icy winds strike us instead of the warm sunshine we so long for.

From the *Minnesota Companion* of February 28th, we learn that the teachers' convention is to be held at the Minnesota school at Faribault, June 17th to 14th. Rooms and meals can be had at the school from \$3.00 to \$3.50 a day. Of interest to the Ohio deaf is the fact that Dr. Donald Patterson, son of Dr. Robert Patterson is on the program for an address.

The Emmons bill, which was started rolling by Mr. Kreigh Ayers, president of the Ohio Alumni, and concerns the labor problems of the deaf, passed the Senate and will, we predict, pass the House. The following taken from a Columbus daily shows how the blind senator looks at the bill, although it was originally intended for the deaf only:—

Just fifty years ago, Tuesday, Claron L. Shafer, as a little blind boy, came to Columbus to attend the State School for the Blind.

Tuesday night as a state senator, Shafer declared he was "the happiest man in the Senate" because that body had passed the Emmons bill, creating a division of the blind and deaf in the State Department of Education. The division, under provisions of the bill, will seek to develop the educational facilities of the blind and deaf, to help procure employment for those afflicted and to help industries employing blind and deaf persons to solve some of their problems.

Senator Shafer said he is particularly jubilant because the bill, it passed by the House and signed by the Governor, will help the blind and deaf to "be real citizens" and to be "independent" rather than objects of charity. Such is the greatest desire of those so afflicted, he said.

The bill to transfer the State bindery to the penitentiary failed to get through the committee and the deaf employed in the bindery are sure of their positions for two more years. This was not aimed at the deaf employees, but was introduced as an economy move and in years to come such a transfer may be made.

Mr. C. C. Neuner, of Columbus, recently had a letter in the Ohio State Journal about outlying property being annexed to the city and thereby increasing taxes. The letter showed his clear thinking on the subject.

Mr. Harry Romoser had the thrill of being held up recently by real burglars; but, being a dull season for Harry, he was out of pocket money at the time and the bandits got nothing for their trouble. It seems the safest way to travel is without much money nor other valuables.

Mr. George Kinkel, a resident at the Ohio Home and a member of the Columbus Division of Frats, surprised the Frats at their last meeting by treating all to fine cigars. Mr. Kinkel is one of the few residents at the Home who has sufficient funds to do as he pleases. He often takes long trips and returns safely to the Home.

Mrs. William Mayer has joined Mr. Mayer in Toledo, and they are now at home in that city at 917 Moore Street.

The Wittenberg Theological Seminary in Springfield may have the sign-language taught to those students who elect to become ministers to the deaf, as plans were made at a Lutheran Synod meeting in Columbus to have services for the deaf in all the large cities in Ohio. At the next meeting steps will be taken about teaching the sign-language to the students at that school. Everyone must agree that it is only through the signs that religious services can be helpful to the deaf.

The Toledo deaf will have the pleasure March 23d, of having a reading there by Mr. William H. Zorn. The affair is under the auspices of the Toledo Ladies' Aid Society and the deaf in and near Toledo have a treat awaiting them.

Mr. W. W. Hines, of near Springfield, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported as much better at this time.

### AKRON NEWS



## The Capital City

The first tableaux of the annual spring play of the Ladies' Guild of St. Barnabas' Mission, will be given on the night of April 10th, in the New Parish House of St. Mark's Church, according to an announcement made at the March meeting by the members in charge of the presentation. Miss Ruth Leitch is chairman and an amateur player herself. Rehearsals for the play have been in progress for some time, and those who have been able to see the rehearsals predict a good entertainment.

The tableaux will begin promptly at 8 p.m. The closing event will be a modern comedy, "Flea Powder."

Come early every one of you. Admission—adults, twenty-five cents; children under twelve years old, fifteen cents. Home-made candy will be on sale.

The annual public meeting of the O. W. L. S. of Gallaudet College was held at the chapel of the college on the night of March 9th. The deaf of Washington attended and enjoyed the plays. Miss Elizabeth Peet was interpreter for the hearing ones present.

Rev. Mr. Tracy is making his regular monthly trip through West Virginia during the last week of March. He will be with us March 31st, Easter Sunday.

Mrs. Wurdman was the guest of Mrs. H. L. Tracy all day, Wednesday, March 6th.

Mr. Duncan-Smoak was rushed to Sibley Hospital, Saturday the 9th, where he underwent an operation for acute appendicitis. At present he is resting well and his friends are glad to know he is doing so nicely.

A business meeting of the Baptist Mission was held at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Bryant on the night of March 11th. Important business pertaining to the mission was transacted. The members enjoyed the hospitality of the Pastor and Mrs. Bryant.

On Sunday, March 10th, several deaf took a motor ride to West Virginia to see the Blue Mountains, which have often been described to the deaf as a wonderful place to visit. Those who went were Mr. and Mrs. Quinley, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Boswell, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Alley, Miss Robert, of Gallaudet College, Mrs. Harrison and Walter Hauser. Upon their return they visited Harper's Ferry and Frederick, Md. Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson gave up the trip, on account of muddy roads.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Barnabas' Mission held its March meeting on the 12th, at the home of Miss Ruth Leitch on Varnum Street, N. W. Quite a good many of the members availed themselves of the opportunity to be present. Vice-President Mrs. M. W. Galloway presided.

A pleasant time was had and dainty refreshments were served, all pronouncing they had a most enjoyable evening. Miss Nellie Lake was present and enjoyed the occasion.

Baptism services will be held at Baptist Mission of Calvary Baptist Church, Sunday, March 31st. Any one who wishes to be baptized, let Rev. Mr. Bryant know. All the deaf are kindly asked to attend.

The Washington deaf were sadly informed of the sudden passing away of our friend, Prof. Jones, of New York. The deaf here remembered him as a dramatic lecturer. Miss Elizabeth Peet of Gallaudet College left for New York to attend the funeral.

Mr. W. P. Sonder has purchased a new four-door Ford sedan. They go motoring every day after working hours.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Stewart are now living at 1220 D Street, N. E. They take care of the house for the owners, who are employed at a restaurant down-town.

Miss Susie Hart, of Warrenton, Va., who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smoak, returned home last week.

Mrs. A. F. Adams' daughter, Linnie, is very ill at her home. The baby boy is doing well.

Mrs. C. C. COLBY  
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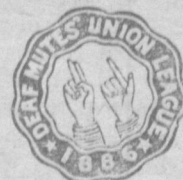
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